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"The power of the Gospel is a changed life...I am living proof!!"

Hi Friends of 180 Outreach,

Thanks for taking the time to read this newsletter. We so appreciate your prayers and support as we step out and share the light of Christ to a dark world. We have been busy, and we purpose to stay busy with an expectation of greater things ahead.

You know, we live in a world that is growing darker by the minute, and the only hope is a relationship with Jesus Christ! This is our commitment as a ministry - to reach those who are lost without Christ as Jesus is the only true life and hope for humanity. Jesus is the answer! He alone can wash away sin and rebellion from a life.

We covet your prayers, as we are busy every week ministering the Word and evangelizing. This spring and summer we are increasing our Street Ministry efforts, so from the bottom of my heart thank you for the prayers.

Steve Ignowski
180 Outreach Ministries

Mission Trip to Mardi Gras

I had an incredible trip to Mardi Gras early this year (Feb 2017). A total of five of us from Northern Indiana went down to witness, preach, evangelize, and shine the light of Jesus in a very dark place.

It was Jesus who said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." Drunken, sin-laden folk need Jesus and Mardi gras is the place where thousands of them gather! We went with the mandate to reach the world with the Gospel.



I had the incredible opportunity to preach at the foot of the cross on Bourbon Street. Calling people to repentance.



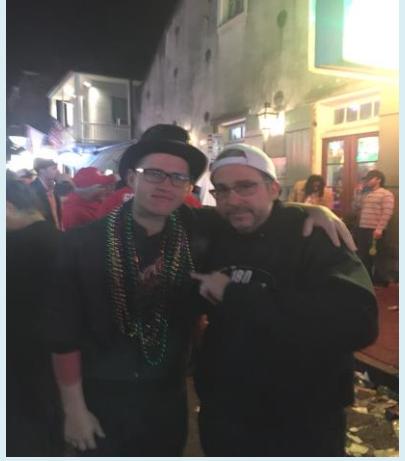
The Team of evangelists from Northern Indiana



Sharing the Gospel



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God lead this man right to me on Bourbon St. He was outraged with a guy who was having an affair with his wife. He confessed to me he had a gun and was going to kill him. After a lengthy chat with Lance and me, this man repented and received prayer for the error of his thinking. We also prayed for his marriage to be restored as he repented and put his total trust in God.

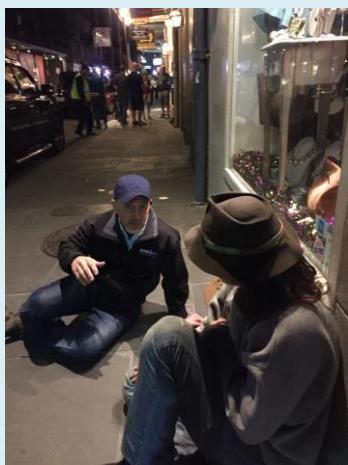
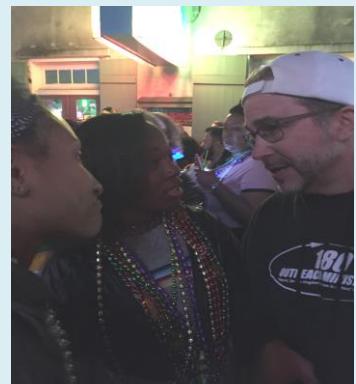
This young man (above) after several minutes of dialog and discussion was hit heavy with conviction. He asked me to dump his drink he was holding. His exact words were, "I can't do this anymore. I want to change!" PTL!! I dumped his drink and we prayed for the Holy Spirit to totally transform his life...Amen.



These two gals (pics to the right & left) walked up to the cross on Bourbon St. and were sincerely asking some genuine questions about Christianity. They were desiring to know Him more and live for Him.

We must have talked to them for over 30 minutes, showing them verses in the Bible and reading them scriptures. We had our own personal Bible study right there on Bourbon St. Amen!

It really was an incredible appointment that the Lord brought forth for us to minister to these young women.



Brother Angelo ministering to a woman on Bourbon Street

Brother Tony ministering to a needy soul

Brother Jeff laying out the Word to a deceived fellow on Bourbon St.



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Elkhart County Jail Ministry

It's been over six years that 180 Outreach Ministries has been going into the Elkhart County Jail, and I can personally tell you that it is a complete blessing and it is going awesome!! What a privilege it is to go into the jail and minister to the guys!

Every Thursday in B-10 classroom we are shining the light of Christ; worshiping, testifying, and preaching the Word, we are seeing guys cry out to the Lord for forgiveness, and the Holy Spirit is touching lives.

We have built some incredible relationships with the guys, connecting with some as they get out. So please continue to pray for us especially on Thursday evenings.

Thank you!



For six years now 180 has been going into the Jail preaching and sharing the good news!!



Here I am pictured with Brother Thomas. Thomas regularly attended the B-10 Jail Service. He is out and doing well!



Twice a month 180 Outreach preaches the Gospel to the youth here at Elkhart Juvenile Detention



This young generation need Jesus!

Elkhart Juvenile Detention

The ministry at Elkhart Juvenile Detention has been absolutely incredible! The facility houses up to seventeen young boys and girls, many facing criminal charges. What I have noticed the last two years regularly going into this facility is that we have a young generation that doesn't know God. They have never heard about Jesus or read the Bible. It breaks my heart to see them pawns and sitting prey for the devil, but I am overjoyed that this facility has given us opportunity to come in and share Jesus.

They give us sixty minutes and a class room and we take full advantage of the opportunity. We can give out Bibles and tracts. We are handing Bibles out regularly. Last year alone in this facility we handed out over hundred Bibles and over two hundred gospel tracts.

As we preach and teach from the Word, we are regularly seeing young people give their hearts to Jesus as we offer the call to repent and call out to the Lord. Thanks so much for your prayers.



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"Judgment Delayed Is Not Judgement Denied"

I recently had the opportunity to share a message at the Meeting Place here in Elkhart, IN. This is a church (Voice Ministries) pastored by Bob Deering and it was most certainly a blessing to minister there.

During the message, I made statement that the Holy Spirit led me to say that really had an impact on a few people as they later came up and told me. The statement was, "Judgement delayed is not judgment denied." I said this, in regards to my message, in which I spoke of the Prodigal Son. Most of you are probably familiar with this parable in Luke 15: 11-24. The young prodigal son left the father's house with his inheritance, and the Bible says he went to the far country and squandered all his money on "wild living."



Voice Ministries in Elkhart, IN



Sharing on the Prodigal Son

The point I was making was, the young son more than likely didn't just squander his money overnight. It probably took him a little time to blow all he had. That being the case, he more than likely settled into the far country and got a little comfortable. I'm sure during those initial early days, the young son was expecting to experience immediate repercussion from leaving his father. Maybe the first day in the far country he spent time looking over his shoulder thinking the father or one of his father's hired hands would come and confront him about leaving and force him to come back home. Perhaps this young son was expecting an illness or a tragedy of some kind to come upon him as he was in the far country. That old expression may have come into his mind that a lightning bolt would hit him every time he dug those gold coins out of his pocket to gamble or buy some

booze, but nothing like that happened! Everything was quiet. Day after day those feeling and promptings started to leave him and eventually he started getting a little more and more comfortable in the far country. That little voice inside his head now told him he was okay, and since nothing was happening to him he felt all the better that all was good.



Steve with Pastor Bob Deering of Voice Ministries

You see, this is where the danger is- this is where the deception is. We know we're wrong but we justify that wrong and we buy into the lie that we're okay because nothing bad has happened. Judgment delayed is not judgment denied. We fail to understand that God it is actually giving us time to repent. It's the goodness of God that leads men to repentance. (Romans 2:4) God is patient with us. He is allowing time for us to repent. (2 Peter 3:9) When God gives us time to repent that is His mercy, this is not the time to think that all is okay. No, God is allowing us a space of time to come to our senses like this young prodigal son did. Praise God for the Lord's patience. Praise God He is long suffering and gives us time to turn back. I say to you, the reader, judgment delayed is not judgment denied. If you're not where you should be with Jesus, repent, pray, and go back to the Father. He's waiting. Amen.



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Hitting the Streets for Jesus



The Gospel message still saves and delivers!

Street Ministry

"Go into all the world and reach the lost". "Leave the ninety-nine and find the one that wandered off." These are all words that Jesus said to the church, and these words compel us to go! I know I am glad someone told me about Jesus.

The simple Gospel still saves. Just last week as Robert and I were out going door to door we met a 24-year-old young man. He was playing basketball with his neighbor. We struck up a conversation with him and started talking about spiritual things. We shared about sin and judgement to come, the need for us to be right with Jesus. This young man fell under conviction as the Holy Spirit was dealing with him. Within a few more minutes we had the privilege to lead him in prayer where he called out to Jesus for forgiveness and eternal life. Amen! Praise God!

We at 180 Outreach are regularly scheduling street ministry as we go to neighborhoods, parks, fairs, festivals, etc. Where ever people are-meeting them right where they are, praying and ministering the Gospel.

Why the name 180?

In geometry, a complete circle is 360 degrees it refers to a complete circle, therefore, when someone says that a condition has done a 360, it means it went full circle. In other words, it means to end up where you started. Whereas, 180 degrees means a half-circle, an opposite direction. To "do a 180" means to turn your back upon and to go in the opposite direction, a reversal of direction.

180 describes a term the Bible calls "repentance." Repentance means a sincere turning away, in both the mind and heart, from "self" to "God."

Repentance was preached by Jesus. He wasn't interested in merely leading them in a sinner's prayer, but to bring them to repentance and genuine salvation. He described salvation in terms of coming to repentance.

"From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, 'Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand'" (Mat 4:17). "But go ye and learn what that means, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance"

Peter, Paul, and all the disciples all preached repentance. The Bible says that God is "longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). There is no Bible example of people being saved who did not evidence a change in their lives.

Repentance is an essential part of salvation, requiring a turning away from the sin-ruled life to a life characterized by obedience to Christ. The Holy Spirit leads a person to repent, but repentance itself cannot be seen as a "good work" that adds to our salvation.

The Bible states that people are saved by faith alone (Ephesians 2:8-9). However, there can be no faith in Christ without repentance and no repentance without faith. The two are inseparable.

A 180 turn- to a new life in Christ! (2 Corinthians 5:17) ...Amen!



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2017 Ministry /Outreach/Events -Dates:

Every Thursday 6:30pm -9pm = Elkhart County Jail B-10 Service
Every 2nd and 4th Saturday = Elkhart Juvenile Detention Service
April 7th (Fri)= Street Evangelism 6pm
April 29th (Sat) = Wakarusa Maple Fest - Street Evangelism 12pm
May 19th (Fri) = Street Evangelism 6pm
May 20th (Sat) = Location to be determined - Hot Dog Cart/ Street Evangelism
June 2nd (Fri) = Ministry Event at Teen Challenge in Elkhart 7pm
June 9th, 10th, 11th (Fri, Sat, Sun) = Rhapsody in Green - Evangelism
June 30th (Fri) = Malcolm Drive, Street Ministry
July 1st (Sat)= Malcolm Drive, Elkhart, IN - Hot Dog Cart/ Street Evangelism
July 21st - 29th = Elkhart County Fair ... Street Evangelism
Aug 9th (Wed) = Pass Out Flyers – Street Evangelism
Aug 12th (Sat) = Modell St. Block Party
Sept 1,2,3 (Fri, Sat, Sun) = Plymouth Blueberry Fest - Street Evangelism
Dec 12th (Tues) = 4th Annual Elkhart Juvenile Detention Christmas Party
Dec 18th - 20th = 12th Annual Community Christmas Outreach to the needy.



One of the purposes of this newsletter is to communicate with you, our friends, what 180 Outreach Ministries is doing to fulfill the Great Commission. We strongly believe that this is our mandate; to reach people for Jesus. Jesus said, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to everyone.” We have a mission field right here in the United States. I thank God for overseas missions, but right here in our own homeland there is a Gospel lack. The USA is a mission field! People need Jesus right here in our neighborhoods and in our cities more than ever.

Please know, that 180 Outreach Ministries is not funded by any organization. It is through the free will offerings of our ministry friends and partners that we can continue to spread the Gospel message to the lost and spiritual deceived.

Would you prayerfully consider supporting 180 Outreach Ministries? Those of you who have followed 180 Outreach know that I am not into making big appeals in regards to asking for funds. In fact, I wish I didn't even have to, but in order to do things we simply must have continued, consistent, and generous outside support. For this reason, I ask you for your partnership. I can think of nothing more important than souls. Your gift of any size will be greatly appreciated.

To donate through the mail, make your check payable to 180 Outreach Ministries and send it to:

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